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# Northern Region News



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## Putnam Receives National Award

**E**ach year the Government Employees Insurance Company (GEICO) presents awards to four Federal employees and one retired Federal employee for outstanding achievement in the fields of substance abuse prevention and treatment, physical rehabilitation and traffic safety, accident prevention, and fire prevention and safety.

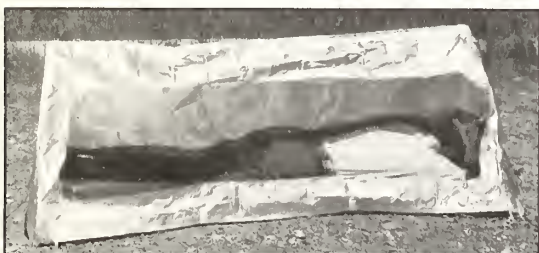
This year, GEICO's national award for fire prevention and safety goes to Ted Putnam, equipment specialist at the Missoula Technology Development Center. Putnam will receive a \$2,500 cash award and an all expense paid trip to Washington, D. C., for the awards ceremony to be held March 9.

Since 1976, Putnam has had the primary responsibility for developing

protective clothing and equipment for Federal and State wildland firefighters. He has become an internationally recognized expert in the field and has brought new technology to the development of the yellow fire shirt, green fire pants, and forest worker gloves.

Putnam also developed the fire shelter, a small fold-up aluminum tent carried by the firefighter for use in life-threatening

situations. It is a critical safety item which has saved lives of at least 200 entrapped firefighters in the past



Cut-away of fire shelter

photo - Jim Kautz

15 years.

The Northern Region takes great pride in Putnam's accomplishments. Every fire season 60,000 to 100,000 firefighters can do their job a little more safely because of his research.

## Liaison Position Created with Nez Perce Tribe

by Kathleen Thompson, Information Assistant  
Clearwater National Forest

**N**ez Perce drummers and singers began the ceremony to establish a meeting. Then the Nez Perce flag song began. Carrying the United States flag, the Nez Perce flag and the tribal eagle staff were three tribal members who made their way near the signing table where they stopped and stood throughout the ceremony, each holding the flag or staff upright.

After opening remarks had been delivered, the signing ceremony began. Nez Perce tribal council chairman Charles "Pete" Hayes signed the document, followed by five National Forest supervisors: Win Green, Clearwater National Forest; Mike King, Nez Perce National Forest; Sonny LaSalle, Payette National Forest; Jeff Blackwood, Umatilla National Forest; Bob Richmond, Wallowa-Whitman National Forest. Each awaited his turn in the Pi-Ni-Waus Community Building at Lapwai, Idaho, January 14, 1992.

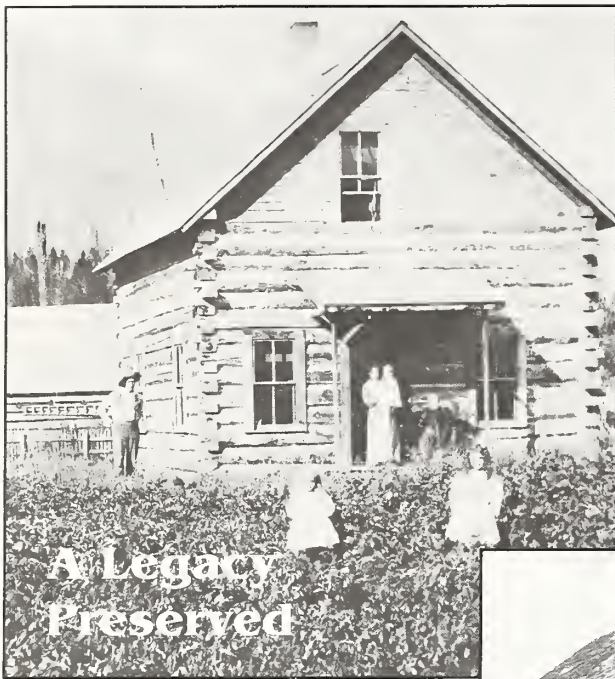


L to R - Sonny LaSalle, Jeff Blackwood, Win Green, Jim McCormack, Bob Richmond, Pete Wilson, Pete Hayes, Russell Spencer, Mike King

Each supervisor spoke about the significance of the memorandum of understanding he had just signed. The memorandum between the Nez Perce Tribe and the Forest

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## A Legacy Preserved

**O**ld ranches, 19th century miner's cabins, ghost towns, CCC camps. These are just a few of the historic sites on National Forest lands in the Northern Region.

They are important because they represent man's history on the landscape. They also embody the history of the Forest Service. You can still view ranger stations, guard stations, lookout towers, and other buildings which date to the earliest days of the agency.

Preservation of these properties is not difficult to justify to the public. People enjoy seeing historic sites, according to 1990 State tourism figures, and they like staying in the older buildings that are part of the Forest Service cabin and lookout rental program.

Although these structures obviously present tremendous opportunity for recreational and administrative use, they present challenges in terms of their management. By their nature, these properties require special care. They are non-renewable. Once destroyed by nature or by bad renovation, they cannot be replaced. Many were built using skills and tools now difficult to obtain.

In December 1990, the Regional Forester and the Leadership Team discussed the issue and formulated an approach to preserving the Region's historic buildings. They acknowledged the agency did not have the skills in-house to conduct hands-on preservation projects, nor was it easy to find contractors with the adequate preservation background.

The best solution, they decided, was to fund the creation of an historic preservation crew, whose sole function would be to rehabilitate or restore historic buildings in the Region.

Responsibility for the team was assigned to Beryl Johnston, Director of Engineering. Johnston believes that the program is valid, feasible, and is committed to its success.

The four-person team has been selected and is eager to begin work on the 14 projects scheduled for



At left - Bull River Ranger Station in 1908 and as it is today. Top - Big Prairie Ranger Station

1992. Their enthusiasm makes for a hopeful beginning. Another positive factor is that the Region's decision to act was not forced on the agency by outside regulatory agencies. The urgency to initiate the new program came from the Region's own sense of stewardship for the legacy it possesses in its historic properties and the realization that the time is right.

The program has earned the praise of Montana State Historic Preservation Officer Marcella Sherfy and Lee Keatinge of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, the Federal agency that reviews Federal projects affecting cultural resources.

"With the approach of the 21st century," Keatinge commented, "the timing could not be better for the creation of the new team. The Northern Region can take pride in the fact it has taken positive measures to ensure the survival and continued productive use of its historic properties into the coming new century."

**H**eading the historic preservation team is Bemie Weisgerber, a graduate of the three-year historic preservation program at the National Park Service Williamsport Preservation Training Center, the only Federal facility to provide intensive preservation training within the government system. Also hired was journeyman carpenter Dale Swee, who transferred from the Clearwater National Forest. Swee has completed many formal trainings in historic preservation techniques and has worked on several historic buildings in the Region. Cary King, also a journeyman carpenter, was with Glacier National Park, with primary duties involving historic preservation and repair of many of Glacier's back country historic sites. Selected as carpenter's helper was Bill Harris, who has been a carpenter in the Missoula area for the past 20 years.

### '92 PROJECTS

HOGAN GUARD STATION, Beaverhead NF  
MAGRUDER RANGER STATION &  
OLD DARBY RANGER STATION, Bitterroot NF  
ELK SUMMIT GUARD STATION, Clearwater NF  
SAGE CREEK WORK CENTER, Custer NF  
STONEY CREEK CABIN, Deerlodge NF  
BIG PRAIRIE RANGER STATION, Flathead NF  
MAIN BOULDER STATION, Gallatin NF  
EAGLE GUARD STATION, Helena NF  
AVERY WORK CENTER, Idaho Panhandle NF's  
BULL RIVER RANGER STATION, Kootenai NF  
JUDITH GUARD STATION, Lewis & Clark NF  
SAVENAC NURSERY, Lolo NF  
FENN RANGER STATION, Nez Perce NF



*Moose Creek Ranger Station, 1922*

## A Glimpse of the Past

by Shelley Dumas,  
Information Assistant  
Nez Perce National Forest

**I**f you listen for a moment, you can hear the creak of straight back chairs tilted on whip-sawn flooring, or the pop and sizzle of fresh deer steaks in a cast iron pan atop the cookstove, or the whack of an axe biting into firewood. It could be May 1922 or December 1938 or August 1973. Things haven't changed all that much at the Moose Creek Ranger Station.

The log station looks as it did when first built in 1921. And its purpose remains unchanged; it is still the center of wilderness management for the Moose Creek Ranger District.

In the early 1900's there was an urgency to locate suitable ranger station sites which were to be "reasonably accessible to the forests and to the settlements, to have ample horse feed, a good water supply and be situated on either flat land or land with a gentle slope." Rangers were expected to report on homestead applications, build lookouts and expand the trail and phone line networks for fire prevention.

The first administrative site in the Moose Creek area was a cabin built by trappers at the branching of East and North Moose Creeks. It was acquired by the Forest Service in 1909. In 1920, Jack Parsell became the first on-site Moose

Creek district ranger and it was his decision to move the district office to a timbered bench above the confluence of Moose Creek and the Selway River.

The new station, built of round logs, was completed in 1921. The first occupants were Jack Parsell and his new bride, Julia, so it was quickly dubbed the Honeymoon Cabin! According to Bert Cramer, who assisted with the construction, Julia had plenty to do that summer, "cooking for the gang, tending the telephone, milking the cow, etc.," jobs that were routine for ranger's wives.

The station is unique in that it is among the few back-country administrative sites that remain in operation. The original wild, unrestrained ruggedness that marked its setting is still present, now legally protected from logging, mining, or grazing developments by the Wilderness Act.

Sixty-nine years after the first sill log was placed, the Moose Creek Ranger Station was entered in the National Register of Historic Places, the Federal listing of sites throughout the country worthy of preservation. A commemorative plaque was recently mounted to the exterior of the cabin wall in recognition of the building's significance to the heritage of Idaho.

## Special Olympics Get Help from Job Corps

*by Jeff Menk, Social Services Assistant  
Trapper Creek Job Corps Center*

January 29 marked five consecutive years that Trapper Creek Job Corps students have volunteered their time and energy to help with the local Montana Special Olympics winter games at Lost Trail Ski area.

Trapper Creek students Clarice Windyboy, Robert Marcelja, Ken Kemper, Myron Swift, Dion Condon, Dwayne Morris, Anton Brown, Troy Thompson and Tom Bornert collectively volunteered 224 hours toward this annual event.

Before the competitors arrived, these students challenged the heavy snows to create two inner-tubing runs and a stairway of snow to give access for the event. They also built a ramp of snow so cross-country ski competitors could reach their course.

Trapper Creek students were honored by being selected to lead each school's athletes in the parade to the opening ceremonies. The privilege of reading the Special Olympic oath was given to Trapper Creek student Robert Marcelja.

Throughout the games, the infamous tubing runs were maintained and monitored under the watchful eyes of Trapper's students. These individuals systematically moved the inner tubes to their starting point, and when all was said and done, a fifth accident-free year had been completed.

This talented and dedicated group of young women and men helped to carry wheelchair athletes into the ski lodge, to the events, and rode with them on the tubing run. Trapper volunteers could be found cheering the Special Olympians on during the events and at the awards ceremonies.

Trapper Creek guaranteed the arrival of Smokey

*Myron Swift gives a lift to a competitor to the infamous "tubing" run!*



*Trapper Creek Job Corps students*

Bear and Woodsy Owl—much to the delight of all those attending the games.

In recognition of their outstanding work, the volunteers were presented with framed certificates and winter games sweatshirts before a Job Corps assembly on February 3, 1992.

## Working Together

*by Maureen Cole, Personnel Assistant  
Helena National Forest*



*L to R - Dee Gribble and Maureen Cole, FS personnel assistants; Carol Spearson, FS personnel officer; Margie Ulmer, Helena Job Service representative*

The Helena National Forest presented an engraved plaque this past December to Karlene Leonard, manager of the Helena Job Service, and Margie Ulmer, Forest Service contact at the Job Service, for their cooperation and professionalism in referring job candidates to the Helena National Forest. At the base of the plaque, in bold letters, was printed "WORKING TOGETHER."

## Beaverhead Employees Honored

by Jack de Golia, Public Affairs Specialist  
Beaverhead National Forest

**S**hortly before the Beaverhead's "Big Move" to its new office, five employees got awards for their good work. Recognized were Joann Lewis, for diligent work updating property records and disposing of surplus property; Juanita Miller, for working above and beyond her normal duties in range reporting and special use permit preparation; Joe Spehar, for outstanding work as coordinator of the forest plan implementation analysis and as the forest's west zone interdisciplinary team leader; Linda Kirkelie, for outstanding performance in the budget shop; and Ed Flanders for helping the Gallatin National Forest assess its radio communications system and future needs.

Joe "The Finn" Spehar spent nearly a decade on the Beaverhead, first as the Wisdom District Ranger and then as the Forest's implementation analysis coordinator. During his tenure, The Finn, as he liked to be called—in person or as a "DG alias"—never forgot the most important part of the job: to keep smiling! He moved on to the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest, in Arizona, where he works as the recreation substaff officer. But, before we let him go, he got roasted—and enjoyed every minute of it!



Joe Spehar



L to R - Joann Lewis, Juanita Miller, Joe Spehar, Linda Kirkelie, and Ed Flanders

### Address Change



The Beaverhead Supervisor's Office and Dillon District have a new address: **USDA Service Center, 420 Barrett Street, Dillon, MT 59725.**

The main telephone number and most extensions will remain the same.

## Flathead Forest Named Agency of Year

by J. D. Coleman, Public Affairs Specialist  
Flathead National Forest



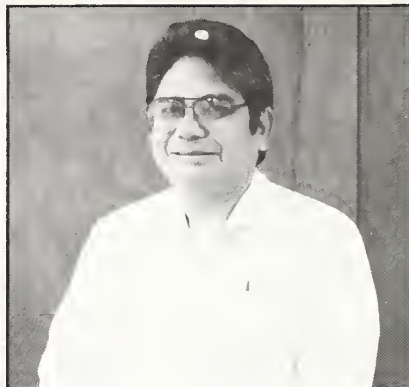
L to R - Gary Howard, Forest Supervisor Joel Holtrop, and Cliff Paradise

**T**he Flathead National Forest was recently selected as the Federal "Agency of the Year" by the Montana District Office of the U. S. Small Business Administration. Recognized was the Flathead's outstanding efforts to develop and foster their 8(A) contracting program, which allows Federal agencies to utilize their procurement program to foster and develop minority contractors.

The award follows the selection this past fall of two Flathead National Forest employees, contract specialist Cliff Paradise and forestry technician Gary Howard, as recipients of the Department of Agriculture's OSDBU Special Achievement Award for their work with the Blackfeet Tribe as a developing 8(A) contractor.

## Allen Pinkham - Man with a Mission

by Kathleen Thompson,  
Information Assistant  
Clearwater National Forest



Allen Pinkham

**F**or years Allen Pinkham, a member of the Nez Perce Tribal Executive Committee, had contended that there should be an "Indian desk in any federal agency that has some kind of relationship with Indian tribes."

Now Pinkham staffs the "Indian desk" at the Clearwater National Forest Supervisor's Office. He is the tribal coordinator, the pivot player on the tribal/forest team.

Says Pinkham, "I want to emphasize employment," letting American Indians know about employment opportunities with the Forest Service. But, on the other hand, the agency cannot hire unqualified American Indians. So Pinkham's role is also that of counselor for the young people, encouraging them to get their education, informing them about employment opportunities with the Forest Service.

Another responsibility he sees as important is to educate people about the Native American, "the minority of all minorities," in Pinkham's words. Indians comprise less than one-half of one percent of the total population: 1.8 million people. While most people know a little about Indians in history, few know much of anything about today's American Indian.

Pinkham has taken the opportunity to contribute on a national level to this education process. He sits on the board of trustees for the proposed National Museum of American Indians, to be associated with the Smithsonian Institution. The board has 23 members, including Senator Daniel Inouye of Hawaii, Alvin Josephy, Jr., author of several books about Indians, and David Rockefeller. Duties of the board include planning for the physical building and establishing museum policy. The estimated completion date of the building is 1998; estimated cost, \$106 million.

Other national committees on which Pinkham serves include the cultural preservation committee of the proposed Indian Policy Center at George Washington University in Washington, D.C., and the policy committee for the quincentennial observance through the Morning Star Foundation, a foundation also based in Washington, D.C.

Pinkham is also involved in education at the local level. Bob Browning, a retired real estate businessman from New Mexico, sent 15 Appaloosas to the tribe in March 1991, after talking with Pinkham about his idea to re-establish the horse with its original developers, the Nez Perce people.

The program to get the Appaloosas back to the tribe emphasizes community pride and Nez Perce youth. About three dozen people belong to the horse club. Through their

commitment and work they earn privileges, which can eventually result in ownership of a horse. Says Pinkham, there's an "equine generation gap" between younger and older Nez Perce. While his generation learned about horses, today's Nez Perce youth did not. He wants to change that.

The club has an anti-alcohol, anti-drug program. It helps young people gain self-esteem and pride through ownership of the Nez Perce-

developed Appaloosa horse. It helps them understand there are activities more beneficial than alcohol or drug use.

Pinkham is obviously recognized, not only as an expert on Nez Perce and American Indians, but also as their advocate. He believes that through a continuing process of education, people will learn about and understand the Native American—their contributions to American culture and their place in American society.

It is clear Pinkham has firm commitments to certain ideals. At his "Indian desk" at the Clearwater National Forest, Pinkham can work at a job that puts these ideals into action.



### Liaison Position

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Service is an agreement to hire a person who will be a liaison between the tribe and the agency.

It is hoped that the liaison position will increase communication between the two entities and facilitate ways to come to agreement on critical issues important to both the tribe and the Forest Service. Since Forest Service activities affect the tribe's aboriginal lands, the agency needs to understand the Nez Perce people, their beliefs, their treaty rights. In turn, the tribe needs to understand the legal requirements and constraints under which the Forest Service operates.

Currently under discussion are the criteria for the liaison position. The tribe believes qualifications for the position should include tribal membership. The Forest Service holds that the person hired should have a strong Forest Service background. Both agree, however, the position will be salaried by the Forest Service and stationed at the tribal headquarters at Lapwai, where office and support staff and supplies will be funded by the tribe.

Finding a way to share and air concerns is a significant step taken by the Nez Perce Tribe and the Forest Service. Coming together to sign a memorandum of understanding was an effort toward cooperation and addressing complex resource issues, from timber sales to fisheries projects to culturally and historically significant sites.

As the ceremony started, so it ended: flag and staff bearers began a ceremonial war dance to the sound of the drums. They danced around the large hall, followed by all in attendance.

## Early Forest Rangers

From a history of the Forest Service by Terry West, Historian, Washington Office



*Ranger meeting on the Bitterroot National Forest, 1907. First row, middle - Forest Supervisor Major Frank Fenn, for whom Fenn Ranger Station is named*

**B**ernhard Fernow is credited with providing the model—adapted from the Prussian system of state forest management—in an 1891 report on how to manage the reserves. The task actually was undertaken by the Department of the Interior until 1905—first by the Government Land Office and then, in 1901 the Forestry Division under Filbert Roth—earlier Roth had worked for the Department of Agriculture under Division of Forestry director Fernow. The two Departments' forestry divisions cooperated on forest reserve programs. Early custody of the reserves by the Government Land Office was based on a hierarchy of State superintendents, reserve supervisors, and rangers who managed districts within the reserves. The key to success of forest reserve management was the ranger.

The word "ranger" was an American variant of the ancient French verb for "rover," introduced to England by the Normans who came with William the Conqueror in 1066. Rangers were the game wardens on the Royal Forests of England and became the foragers/scouts of colonial expeditions in Virginia in 1716. The forestmaster of Prussian forestry became the forest ranger or protector of the reserves after 1891. Beyond this vague notion of protecting the reserves, the actual duties of the first rangers were rather unclear to all concerned.

One of the early rangers was Edward T. Allen. He was hired at \$50 per month in 1898 by the Government Land Office and sent west to Washington State to assume the post of ranger on the Washington reserve (now the Gifford Pinchot National Forest). After he reported to his supervisor in Tacoma, Allen waited for instructions, only to be told: "That letter (you have) appoints you as a forest ranger, doesn't it? It is signed by the Secretary of the Interior, isn't it? Well, you are now a forest ranger—so go out and range!"

Allen helped set the future trend for rangers by departing for his district, buying a horse, and exploring the area until he knew it in detail; he then proceeded to define his job while doing it as he saw fit. Later in 1902, he helped Roth at the Interior Department to prepare the Forest Reserve Manual, the book of regulations that evolved a few years later into the Forest Service Use Book.

## Places to Go, Things to See

**I**f you are traveling to our nation's capital in the next three months, consider seeing "Treasure in Transition," on exhibit until April 19 on the second floor of the Museum of Natural History. The theme is old growth forests of western North America.

Sponsored by the World Forestry Center of Portland, Oregon, the exhibit is staffed by two Forest Service employees, Jim Case, on detail from Region 10, and Mele Fong-Forgaard of Region 6. A good tip—see the exhibit after 1:00 PM, after most school groups have had their tour.

If you are going to Portland, Oregon, the World Forestry Center at 4033 S.W. Canyon Road, has things for you to do and see. Created in 1971, the center's buildings and exhibits are monuments to public understanding of forests and their resources. For information, call (503) 228-1367.





### *a note from Dave*

Since I arrived in Missoula mid-January to assume the duties of Regional Forester, I've had the opportunity to meet many of you and hear some of your major concerns. But I want to know more and get a better overview of the Northern Region.

For that reason, I will be out in the field over the next sixty days, visiting every National Forest in the Region. By necessity, it will be a whirlwind tour, with limited objectives. The primary purposes are simply to get the "lay of the land" and to have the chance to talk with more of you.

I look forward to this opportunity for dialogue and exchange of ideas. Let me assure you that I welcome your frank and honest opinions on issues and how best to carry out our responsibilities. "Shooting the messenger" is not a method, I've found, that elicits the best information.

This year will bring many challenges for all of us and I look forward to working with you to arrive at solutions. Success will come only if we value each other's talents, cooperate, and believe that accepting compromise will help us arrive at resolutions that best serve the agency and the public.

## In Memoriam

**Sally Thane Christensen**, 38, an attorney with the Department of Agriculture's Office of General Counsel (OGC) in Missoula, died January 19 of ovarian cancer.

Christensen, whose association with the OGC began in 1983, did extensive contract litigation, representing the Forest Service in Montana, Oregon, Idaho and other areas. In 1990 and 1991, she served as a special assistant to the U.S. Attorney.

Christensen became known to the public as a participant in the experimental use of the cancer-fighting drug taxol, manufactured from the bark of the Pacific yew tree. She gave testimony before a congressional subcommittee in Washington, D.C., on the benefits of the drug.

When it was concluded she was not responding to the drug, she withdrew from the program. She remained hopeful of taxol's potential, however, and expressed the hope "the drug is available for those who may benefit from it." Her story was carried in several national magazines, including Newsweek and People magazine. She was interviewed on radio and television, and responded to hundreds of letters from cancer patients and their families.

Christensen is survived by her husband Michael and their two sons, 10-year old Jesse and 5-year old Nicholas.

**Carter J. Helseth**, 81, of Kalispell, died of cancer February 3. Helseth held numerous positions with the Forest Service, starting as a laborer in 1929. He worked in fire dispatching from 1936-62, and then as a realty specialist with the Flathead NF until his retirement in 1973.

**Merle E. Lundrigan**, 84, of Missoula, died of natural causes February 4. After working as a seasonal employee with the Forest Service, he obtained a permanent position with the agency in 1933 in Missoula. In 1941, he transferred to the War Department Procurement Inspection and from 1942-45, served in the U.S. Navy.

After the war he was stationed on the Cabinet NF, now part of the Kootenai NF. In 1946 he transferred to the Siskiyou NF in Oregon. He returned to the R-I Regional Office in 1947 and retired from the position of general supply officer at the Aerial Fire Depot in 1962.

**Maurice "Frenchy" Plante**, 77, of Coeur d'Alene, died January 22. Retired from employment with the Ohio Match and Diamond National Corporation, he had formerly worked for the Forest Service.

**Leonard H. Shepard**, 87, a longtime resident of northern Idaho, died January 21. He was a former sawyer in the lumber mills of the Dover area and had been employed at one time by the Forest Service.

**Arthur L. White**, 85, of Kalispell, died January 17. He worked on the Swan Lake RD of the Flathead NF as a recreation guard and in timber stand improvement. He also served in the Civilian Conservation Corps as a youth. He retired in 1972. His son Leroy is the forest planner on the Custer NF.

**Earl F. Williams**, 83, of Orofino, died of cancer February 4. A retired Forest Service packer, his work with the agency extended from 1950 until his retirement in 1970.

# Personnel Update

## REGIONAL OFFICE

ACHESON, ANN, ecol, RAWES, cash award (from Custer)  
 ALLEN, THOMAS, carto tech, R4, promotion, carto tech, E  
 ANDERSON, BETTY, res spec, ADM, cash award  
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 ANTONICH, PAT, proc clk, Lolo NF, promotion, prog asst, WRCR  
 ASKELSON, ELDON, pilot, AFM, cash award  
 BAILEY, PAT, pers asst, PM, cash award  
 BAND, LYNETTE, off auto clk, ADM, cash award  
 BARREIROS, ROBERT, offset photog, E, career cond appt  
 BECKES, BARBARA, frstr, LM, cash award  
 BLOCKER, BETTY, comp asst, BLM, reassign, off auto asst, TCFPM  
 BLUNN, SUE, acct tech, ADM, cash award & career cond appt  
 BOETTCHER, WILLIAM, frstr, RFO, cash award  
 BOHANNON, TOMMY, pilot, AFM, cash award  
 BRAACH, DIANE, comp asst, ADM, cash award  
 BRAIDA, JOHN, civ engr, E, cash award  
 BRICKELL, JIM, frstr, TCFPM, cash award (from IPNF's)  
 BROST, JACALYN, comp asst, MS, cash award  
 CASTALDI, BRIAN, crim invest, Lolo NF, promotion, crim invest, ADM  
 CHRISTENSEN, ALAN, wldf biol, WLF, cash award  
 CLAAR, JAMES, wldf biol, WLF, cash award  
 CLAGUE, JANET, off auto clk, WRCR, cash award  
 CLAIRMONT, STEVE, supvry frstr tech smkjp, AFM, cash award (2)  
 COLE, HAZEL, fin asst, E, cash award  
 COOK, WAYNE, frstr tech smkjp, AFM, cash award  
 CRONKITE, ANGELA, pers clk, AFM, reassign, pers clk, PM  
 CROWLEY, JOSEPH, manpwr dev spec, PM, cash award  
 DAVIS, INGRID, pers asst, PM, cash award  
 DENNY, ELEANOR, pers asst, PM, cash award  
 DEWOLF, STACIE, frstr, TCFPM, cash award  
 DIEZIGER, DAVID, mech engr, E, reassignment, Dept of Navy  
 DOLSMAN, CARLA, clk/typ, RFO, cash award  
 DONAHUE, TOM, civ engr, WRCR, promotion  
 DRAKE, JOHN, supvry frstr (adm), WRCR, cash award  
 DRAMSTAD, HAROLD, frstr tech, AFM, cash award  
 EBY, BILL, budg anal, LFP, QSI  
 ELDRIDGE, TIM, frstr tech (smkjp), AFM, reassign, info asst, AFM  
 ELLINGTON, WAYNE, frstr tech, AFM, cash award  
 EVENSON, PAUL, frstr tech, AFM, cash award  
 EVENSON, SANDRA, tech asst, AFM, cash award  
 FIELDS, JOHN, facil mgr, AFM, cash award  
 FIELDS, MARY, cook ldr, AFM, cash award  
 FREY, CHUCK, geol, LM, cash award (from Custer)  
 GEORGE, JANIS, contr spec, ADM, cash award  
 GOLDHAHN, PATRICIA, pilot, AFM, cash award  
 GRADHANDT, STEPHEN, budg anal, RS, to acct, ADM, promotion  
 GRAY, TIM, comp spec, MS, cash award  
 HAGLE, SUE, path, TCFPM, cash award (from IPNF)  
 HAKER, JANE, adm off, AFM, cash award  
 HALL, DEBBY, class & wage spec, PM, cash award  
 HANSEN, LLOYD, pilot, AFM, cash award  
 HATHAWAY, JAMES, frstr, LM, cash award  
 HEIST, ED, frstr, LFP, cash award  
 HENSON, GORDON, pilot, AFM, cash award  
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 HOSELTON, LAVONNE, secy/typ, PM, cash award  
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 JONES, IRA, equal emp spec, PM, cash award  
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 KING, VINSON, carpenter, E, careercond appt  
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 MONLUX, STEVE, supvry civ eng, E, cash award  
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 NAVEAUX, CLIFF, pilot, AFM, cash award  
 NIMLOS, TRACEY, purch agt, AFM, cash award  
 NORSEKOG, THELMA, adm off, MTDC, promotion  
 OLIVER, JAN, off auto asst, LFP, career cond appt  
 ONSLOW, KATHRYN, pers asst, PM, cash award  
 PEARSON, ROBERTA, mgmt anal, ADM, cash award  
 PLATTES, BARB, land law exmnr, LM, cash award (from Custer)  
 POLLACK, STEPHEN, civ eng, E, career cond appt  
 RALPHS, ROBERT, wldf biol, WLF, cash award  
 RICHARDSON, RODD, wldf biol, WLF, cash award  
 RIGGLEMAN, CLYDE, mtce insp, AFM, cash award  
 ROBINSON, LAIRD, pub aff spec, PAO, cash award  
 RODGERS, CHARLES, supvry frstr tech, AFM, QSI  
 ROOSE, LINDA, comp prog anal, ADM, cash award  
 ROOT, SUE, prog asst, reassign, frstr  
 RUEDIGER, BILL, wldf biol WLF, cash award  
 RUSS, BETTY DEE, secy, LM, promotion  
 SABO, BILL, supp clk, MS, cash award  
 SATER, JACK, contr spec, ADM, QSI  
 SCHLUTER, JUDY, res clk, R4, reassign, budg anal, LFP  
 SMITH, CECILIA, off auto clk, WRCR, cash award  
 SOLEM, STEVE, frstr, RFO, cash award  
 STARCHER, KANSIE, pers asst, PM, cash award  
 STEWART, GAROLD, elec tech, AFM, cash award  
 STICKNEY, CHERYL, land law exmnr, LM, cash award (from Custer)  
 SWANSON, GAIL, acct tech, E, cash award  
 SWEE, DALE, supvry facil mtce, Clearwater NF, promotion,  
 carpenter, E, promotion  
 TANKE, BILL, ora, MS, promotion  
 TESORO, RAY, geol, LM, QSI  
 HURLKILL, KEITH, frstr, WRCR, cash award  
 THYSELL, KIRK, comp prog anal, Bur of Census, reassign,  
 comp spec, TCFPM  
 TRIPP, JUDY, biol tech, RAWES, cash award  
 TROTTER, NANCY, off auto asst, WRCR, cash award  
 USZUKO, JOHN, aircraft atndt, AFM, cash award  
 VANDEGRIFT, NITA, bus mgmt clk, promotion, ofc auto asst, AFM,  
 VERRY, MARY, pilot, AFM, cash award  
 WARD, EDMUND, util sys op, AFM, cash award  
 WEIDEMAN, MARGARET, off auto clk, ADM, promotion  
 WEISGERBER, GLORIA, NPS, transfer, pub aff spec, PAO, promotion  
 WELLBORN, JENNIE, pilot, AFM, cash award  
 WHITE, ROGER, hydraul eng, E, cash award  
 WILLIAMS, LORENE, pers asst, PM, cash award  
 WILLIAMS, WAYNE, frstr tech (smkjp), AFM, cash award  
 WYATT, PHYLLIS, supvry op grp ldr, PM, QSI & cash award  
 ZWANG, CHERYLE, pub aff spec, PAO, cash award (from R6)

## BEAVERHEAD NATIONAL FOREST

MITA, CAROLYN, rge conserv, Sheridan RD, reassign,  
 integrated resour anal, Gunflint RD, Superior NF (R-9)  
 MITA, ROY, resour frstr, Sheridan RD, promotion, supv  
 frstr, Tofte RD, Superior NF (R-9)

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## BITTERROOT NATIONAL FOREST

ANDREWS, LEE, eng mgmt asst, SO, grp award  
 AVANTS, WAYNE, supv frstr, SO, cash award  
 BARRINGER, ELAINE, off auto clk, SO, cash award & grp award  
 BOYER, POLLY, adm off, SO, reassign, Helena NF  
 BROWN, GARY, frstr tech, West Fork RD, temp promotion,  
 supv frstr tech  
 BROWN, SUSAN, mail & file clk, SO, cash award & grp award  
 DECKER, GARY, hydrol, SO, cash award  
 DEZELL, MICK, frstr tech, SO, retirement  
 ELMORE, BOB, Indscp arch, SO, grp award  
 ELZIG, KATHY, lead zone dispatcher, Beaverhead NF,  
 reassign, dispatcher, SO  
 FIMAN, JERRY, supv frstr tech, West Fork RD, temp promotion,  
 frstr tech (FMO), SO  
 JACKSON, SHARI, off auto clk, Trapper Creek CCC, reassign,  
 SO, vouch exam  
 LEWIS, RUTH, comp asst, SO, grp award  
 LOVITT, PAULINE, sec, SO, cash award  
 MAIS, MARILYN, hydrol tech, SO, cash award  
 MENK, JEFF, soc serv asst, Trapper Creek CCC, temp promotion  
 MORLOCK, PATTE, purch agt, SO, grp award  
 NASH, KAREN, comp asst, SO, cash award & grp award  
 NICHOLSON, NICK, frstr tech, SO, retirement & cash award  
 O'DONNELL, CASS, info asst, SO, Quality Step Increase (QSI)  
 OWENS, REGINA, frstr, Sula RD, promotion  
 ROSE, NEIL, soc serv asst, Trapper Creek CCC, temp promotion  
 SCHELINE, DON, land survyr, SO, retirement  
 SWANSON, RICK, fish biol, SO, cash award  
 TESDAL, MARTY, telecommun spec, SO, grp award

## CUSTER NATIONAL FOREST

BLUNT, WILLIAM, wldlf biol, Medora RD, cash award  
 COLE VICKY L., civ eng tech, SO, cash award  
 DAGUE, G. JAMES, dist rgr, Sioux RD, cash award  
 DiBENEDETTO, JEFF, rge conserv, SO, cash award  
 EMLY, VIRGINIA, McKenzie RD, reassign, rge conserv,  
 Nebraska NF  
 FAGER, CARL, frstr, SO, cash award  
 FARRAR, RICHARD W., dist rgr, Medora RD,  
 cash award & reassign, R-4, Fishlake NF  
 FISHBURN, JAMES R., frstr, SO, cash award  
 FLOODMAN, MARVIN G., archeol, McKenzie RD, cash award  
 GIESE, MARVIN, frstr, McKenzie RD, cash award  
 HEGGEN, SUE E., SO, promotion, pers off  
 KOMBEREC, TOM, wldlf biol, Ashland RD, temp promotion  
 LaPOINT, HALCYON J., archeol, SO, cash award  
 MacIVOR, JOHN A., dist rgr, Ashland RD, cash award  
 MARK, CHARLES A., frstr, Beartooth RD, QSI  
 MATOZEVICH, MIKE, supv frstr, McKenzie RD, cash award  
 MILBURN, SHERRY, public aff spec, cash award  
 MORIN, FOREST, dist rgr, Grand River RD, cash award  
 NEUMAN, RITA, Shasta Trinity NF, reassign, acct tech, SO  
 ODEGAARD, LOUISE, frstr, NDC, cash award  
 PETIK, GARY, rge conserv, McKenzie RD, career cond appt  
 POTTS, LARRY R., dist rgr, Sheyenne RD, cash award  
 ROBBINS, BARBARA, budg & acct off, SO, cash award  
 SMITH, BARBARA, Umpqua NF, reassign, resour clk, SO  
 SMYERS, NORMAN B., geol, SO, cash award  
 SPEER, ANN M., off auto clk, SO, cash award  
 SUNDSTROM, CHARLES, wldlf biol, SO, cash award  
 THOMAS, MARCIA A., adm off, SO, cash award  
 THOMPSON, SPIKE, Nezperce NF, promotion, dist  
 VOGT, ANN, supp srvc spec, SO, cash award  
 WALKER, MARGARET, rge conserv, SO, cash award  
 WARD-WILLIAMS, LINDA, dist rgr, Beartooth RD,  
 WEISHOFF, SUZANNE, SO, promotion, mail & file  
 WHITE, LEROY, plnr, SO, cash award  
 WOLF, CARL E., frstr, SO, cash award

## DEERLODGE NATIONAL FOREST

BILLETER, TERRI, suprt svcs spvsr, SO, career promotion  
 BOLLENBACHER, BARRY, frstr, Butte RD, cash awajd  
 BUCKLER, LINDA, acct tech, SO, cash award  
 BUCKLER, WILLIAM, soc srvc asst, Anaconda CCC,  
 conv career cond appt  
 BUNCE, JOHN, Ind line survyr, SO, cash award  
 CALLAHAN, CAROLYN, guid cnslr, Anaconda CCC,  
 conv career cond appt  
 CUNNINGHAM, DANIEL, surv aid, SO, cash award  
 DECKER, JOHN, frstry aid, Butte RD, promotion  
 DUECK, SANDRA, vchr exmnr, SO, cash award & promotion, acct tech  
 DUNN, MARTIN, soc srvc asst, Anaconda CCC, conv career cond appt  
 ERICKSON, LELAND, mtr veh oprtr, Anaconda CCC, conv to exc appt  
 EWING, MARGARET, frstr adm, Butte RD, cash award  
 GERDES, STEVE, biol tech, Philipsburg RD, QSI  
 GILMAN, ROBERT, frstr, Custer NF, promotion,  
 fstr (adm), Deer Lodge RD  
 GILSTRAP, ALLEN, civ eng tech, SO, retirement  
 HAMANN, JOHN, soil sci, Custer NF, reassign, Butte RD  
 HANSON, RONALD, frstr, SO, cash award  
 HEINTZ, THOMAS, frstr adm, Philipsburg RD, cash award  
 HENNINGSEN, RICK, frstr, Butte RD, cash award  
 HINKLE, HEIDI, info receipt, Philipsburg RD, conv to career appt  
 HODGE, BOB, frstry tech, Butte Rd, cash award  
 HOEHNE, RONA, resour asst, Philipsburg RD, cash award  
 JACKMAN, JULIA, stu trainee (archeol), Butte RD, cash award  
 JOY, JOHN, frstr, Jefferson RD, cash award  
 KELLEY, STEVE, frstry tech, Philipsburg RD, promotion  
 KLASHNER, BEA, SCSEP, Jefferson RD, cash award  
 KLEMENT, FRANK, supvry civ eng, SO, cash award  
 LABAHN, WENDY, frstr, Philipsburg RD, cash award  
 LEARN, GARY, frstr, Philipsburg RD, cash award  
 LEETZ, GREG, prog asst, Butte RD, cash award  
 LUNDBORG, KATHRYN, stu trainee (eng), SO, cash award  
 MCCARTHY, DAVID, stu trainee (eng), SO, cash award  
 MCENANEY, ABIGAIL, survy tech, SO, cash award  
 MCLEAN, MARIE, off auto clk, Anaconda CCC, QSI  
 MCNAMARA, JAMES, frstr, Butte RD, cash award  
 MARIANI, JINA, wldlf biol, Butte RD, cash award  
 MAINWARING, DANIEL, frstr, Philipsburg RD, cash award  
 MURFITT, BARBARA, occup health nurse, Anaconda CCC, retirement  
 OWSLEY, LOIS, pers asst, SO, cash award  
 PARKER, JAMES, frstr, Butte RD, cash award  
 PASCavage, CHARLES, rge tech, Butte RD, cash award  
 PATTERSON, PHOEBE, frstr (appeals coord), SO, career promotion  
 PERIMAN, RICHARD, archeol, Butte RD, cash award  
 ROCHE, WANDA, frstry tech, Butte RD, cash award  
 RUPPERT, DAVID, soil sci, Butte RD, cash award  
 RUSSELL, FRANK, frstry tech, Jefferson RD, cash award  
 RUSSELL, LAURIE, resour clk, Jefferson RD, cash award  
 RUTTENBUR, ERNA, SCSEP, SO, cash award  
 SAJOR-JOYCE, LINDA, ora, SO, promotion  
 SCOTT, RANDALL, survy tech, SO, conv to career cond appt  
 & cash award  
 SCHUELKE, BRUCE, frstr, Butte RD, cash award  
 SCHULTE, DARRELL, frstr, Jefferson RD, cash award  
 SIEMENS, ROGER, frstr, SO, cash award  
 SIERS, PATRICK, stu trainee (eng), SO, cash award  
 SPRAUER, WILLIAM, frstr, Philipsburg RD, cash award  
 STRICKLAND, LINSEY, frstry tech, SO, promotion  
 SULLIVAN, ROBERT, hydrol, Butte RD, cash award  
 THOMPSON, BRIAN, Ind line survyr, SO, cash award  
 TOLF, ERIC, rge conserv, Jefferson RD, cash award  
 WHITTINGTON, MARY, gen clk, Anaconda CCC, cash award  
 WIEBE, LINDON, frstry tech, Philipsburg RD, cash award  
 WINTERGERST, ROBERT, hydrol tech, Philipsburg RD, cash award

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### GALLATIN NATIONAL FOREST

BURKENPAS, ANNA, clk typ, SO, cash award  
GOWAN, NANCY, supp serv supv, SO, cash award  
HANCOCK, PATT, pers clk, SO, promotion  
HAYES, PAUL, civ eng tech, SO, cash award  
HAYNES, DARLYNE, info recep, SO, cash award  
KRACHT, DICK, frstr/plng, SO, cash award  
MOSBY, CINDY, computer asst, SO, cash award  
PARRENT, SANDY, bus mgmt asst, Big Timber RD, cash award  
ROE, JOAN, bus mgmt clk, SO, cash award  
STEIN, COLLEEN, comp clk, SO, cash award

### KOOTENAI NATIONAL FOREST

ADAMS, PAM, comp asst, Libby RD, sup perf  
BAIN, GEORGE, supvy frstr, Cabinet RD, QSI  
BAIN, JANE, pers mgmt specst, SO, AS, promotion  
BARBAT, CAROLYN, wldf biol, Cabinet RD, promotion  
CALHOUN, CAROL, fleet asst, SO, spec act  
CARLIN, ROB, frstr, Fortine RD, dist ranger, temp promotion  
COLLOGAN, JOE, contr spec, SO, AS, retirement  
CORDA, ALFRED, silviculturist, SO, sup perf  
CRAIG, MAGGIE, biol tech, Fisher River RD, spec act  
CRONOBLE, DONNA, bus mgmt clk, Three Rivers RD,  
transfer, off auto clk, BLM  
CURTIS, GEORGE, frstr, Rexford RD, spec act  
DEAVOURS, DAVID, biol tech, Three Rivers RD,  
wldf biolgst, career cond appt  
FERGUSON, LESLIE, ld frstry tech, Three Rivers RD, sup perf  
FUJISHIN, MONTE, supvy frstr, Three Rivers RD, spec act  
GARRISON, TRINI, comp clk, Fortine RD, career cond appt  
HAWLEY, DALE, supvy land surv, SO-ENGR, qsi  
HUNTER, CHARLES, frstry tech, Three Rivers RD, sup perf  
JIMENO, GERALD, frstr, SO-TS, spec act  
JOHNSON, STEVE, hydrol, SO-PLNG, spec act  
JOHNSTON, JONETTE, bus mgmt clk, Libby RD, sup perf  
KIDDER, ELLA, frstry tech, Three Rivers RD, sup perf  
LAFORD, RETA, frstr, Rexford RD, qsi  
LEIMBACH, PAUL, frstr, SO-PLNG, spec act  
LEWIS, MIKE, maint wrkr, Three Rivers RD, sup perf  
MILLER, ROBERT, frstry tech, Cabinet RD, retirement  
NESS, DENNIS, cet, EZ, spec act  
NEWTON, ANGIE, compr asst, Fortine RD, reassign, Rexford RD  
NIXON, KRIS, supp srvc supvr, Fortine RD, promotion  
PARK, JERRY, frstr, SO-TMBR, spec act  
PIERCE, RON, supvy frstry tech, Three Rivers RD, QSI  
PUCHLERZ, TOM, frstr (adm), Fortine RD, temp promotion,  
deputy forest supvr, Idaho Panhandle NF  
YOUNG, LEWIS, wldf biol, Rexford RD, spec act

### LEWIS & CLARK NATIONAL FOREST

ABT, RICHARD, frstr, Judith RD, cash award  
ACKERMAN, VILMA, comp asst, SO, cash award  
HORN, KAREN, pers clk, Rocky Mtn RD, reassign, resour clk  
HULRBUT, JOHN, equip spec, SO, cash award/retirement  
KNECHT, CAROL, comp clk, Judith RD, promotion, resour clk  
MACKAY, DOUG, frstry tech, Kings Hill RD, cash award  
METRIONE, JOHN, lead frstry tech, Kings Hill RD, cash award  
MORRIS, SANDRA, stu trainee, Rocky Mtn RD, exc appt  
NEWMACK, AVIS, resour clk, SO, QSI/promotion OSEN,  
THOMAS, rge conserv, SO, cash award  
OWENS, WALLY, civ eng tech, Kings Hill RD, cash award  
PANEK, GEORGE, frstr, Kings Hill RD, cash award  
RASH, ELDON, rge conserv, SO, cash award  
ROWLAND, DEAN, frstry tech, Judith RD, cash award  
SCHMOYER-WEBER, JANE, frstr, SO, QSI  
SCHWECKE, DICK, supvy frstr, Judith RD, cash award  
STEERMAN, ROGER, frstry tech, Judith RD, cash award

TAYLOR, JUDITH, clk typ, Judith RD, cash award &  
promotion, off auto clk  
ZADRA, MARIANNE, comp clk, SO, cash award

### NEZ PERCE NATIONAL FOREST

ARNZEN, JILL, law enforcement asst, SO, QSI  
BLAIR, GLEN, wldf biol, SO, perf award  
BOTHWELL, CHARLES, frstr tech, Salmon River RD, perf award  
CASE, LARRY, mater handler, SO, promotion  
CASH, JEAN, purch agnt, SO, perf award  
DELP, WAYNE, supv frstr, Red River RD, promotion, Fremont NF  
DRUSCHKE, SUSAN, purch agnt, SO, perf award  
ESSLINGER, DON, animal packer, Moose Creek RD, perf award  
HARPER, DAVID, frstr, Salmon River RD, QSI  
HAUGER, JULIE, supp serv supv, Moose Creek RD, perf award  
LINK, THOMAS, frstr, Red River RD, spec act award  
MOYNIHAN, MEGAN, frstr, Salmon River RD, spec act award  
PARADIS, WAYNE, fish biol, Clearwater RD, QSI  
PETERSON, VICKIE, fin asst, SO, perf award  
QUIRINO, ROBERT, supv frstr tech, SO, perf award  
ROSE, VIOLET, copier/duplicating equip oper, SO, perf award  
RUSSELL, SCOTT, fish biol, SO, promotion, Tongass NF  
SHEPPARD, JOAN, supv contract spec, SO, perf award  
WEIGAND, GERALD, frstr, SO, QSI  
WILSON, PATRICK, supv frstr tech smkjmpr, SO, perf award

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# Warming Hut Opens

by Jack Dorrell, Recreation Technician  
Idaho Panhandle NF's

**V**isitors to the 4th of July Cross-Country Ski Trails on the Fernan Ranger District now have a place to get out of the weather, dry off, or enjoy a picnic lunch. Construction of a warming hut was completed just in time for this winter's snow through a partnership effort by the Fernan District and the Panhandle Nordic Ski Club (PNSC). Materials were supplied by the district and most of the construction performed by members of the PNSC, with some help from district personnel.

The 4th of July Cross-Country Ski area is located just south of Interstate 90 at the summit of 4th of July Pass. It is operated under the "Park N' Ski" program in cooperation with the State of Idaho.

PNSC volunteers groom 18 miles of beginner-intermediate rated trails on a weekly basis. They also maintain the warming hut which is located 1/4 mile down the trail from the ski area parking lot.



Top - Members of the Panhandle Nordic Club and Fernan District who worked on the ski hut. Bottom - Warming Hut, January '92



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